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The Honorable Charles E. Schumer
Majority Leader
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Majority Leader Schumer:

Today, the House overwhelmingly passed legislation to protect America's national interests. Congressman Gallagher's bill would force the sale of TikTok to a company that is not controlled by a foreign adversary. Despite TikTok's repeated efforts to mislead the public, the legislation does not ban the app. The bill simply requires TikTok to divest from the Chinese Communist Party.

I urge you to hold a vote on this legislation as soon as possible.

Although we had our differences, for four years we worked shoulder-to-shoulder, as Senate Minority Leader and President of the Senate, to combat the threats posed by the Chinese Communist Party. In 2020, the Trump-Pence Administration set the stage for forcing a sale of TikTok. You were supportive of this effort then, and I trust that you will be supportive again now.

As we both know, TikTok is a national security threat. The app is controlled by the Chinese Communist Party and used to surveil and manipulate the minds of more than 150 million Americans through short viral videos that often align with the CCP's agenda. The CCP is reported to have "supreme access" to TikTok's data and has previously used this data to track and arrest Hong Kong protestors.

There can be no doubt that this app is Chinese spyware and that a sale to a non-foreign adversary company is in the best interests of the American people.

I encourage you to schedule and hold a vote on H.R. 7521, Protecting Americans from Foreign Adversary Controlled Applications Act, without delay.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Pence", written in a cursive style.

Michael R. Pence
48th Vice President of the United States